
worksheet

level 2

Try not to look at the transcript while doing these exercises! Always read the instructions and all the information in the tasks before listening. Listen as many times as you like.

Creature comforts

- 1 Before listening: which sentence ending is true for you?
I live in a foreign country and I...
(or If I lived in a foreign country I would...)

...miss nothing from home
...miss a few things from home
...miss everything from home

- 2 Listen for general meaning: listen to the whole podcast. Helen lives in a foreign country and she talks about three things that she misses from the UK. Tick (✓) what she says. Careful - there is one topic she doesn't talk about!

A shop
Tesco's
Harrod's
Marks and
Spencer's

A freetime activity
Going to the cinema
Going to the pub
Going shopping

A family member
Her parents
Her sister
Her cousin

A drink
Tea
Coffee
Beer

- 3 Listen for more detail: listen again and choose the correct answer.

a Helen lives in
Poland
Portugal
Paraguay

b Helen thinks that Portuguese tea is...
not strong enough
too strong
too expensive

c Tea in the UK...
isn't served with hot milk
is served with hot milk
is never served with milk

d Helen drinks English tea in Portugal. True or false?

e Helen misses the shop because...
it sells English food
it sells cheap clothes
it sells so many different things

f Helen likes the food in the shop because...

it's already prepared

it's very tasty

it's not expensive

g Helen likes going to the pub and...

drinking with her friends

having a meal with her friends

being able to be alone

h Which picture below best shows how Helen and Jackie describe an English pub:



i



ii



iii

j Helen wishes she was living in the UK. True or false?

4 After listening: now do the vocabulary worksheet

5 After listening: speaking Do the tasks below with another English language learner.

a Look at the picture of the pub *i* and the café *iii*, use the vocabulary to describe the differences.

b Which place would you prefer to go to with friends, why?

c What three things would you miss from your country if you couldn't have them?

answers

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1 It's important to do this before you listen to the podcast.

2

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- a* Helen lives in Portugal
- b* Helen thinks that Portuguese tea is not strong enough
- c* Tea in the UK isn't served with hot milk
- d* True
- e* Helen misses the shop it sells so many different things
- f* Helen likes the food in the shop because it's already prepared
- g* Helen likes going to the pub and having a meal with her friends
- h* *i*
- i* False

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Don't forget the extra vocabulary worksheet **Culture: UK and EU** from the 'extras' page.